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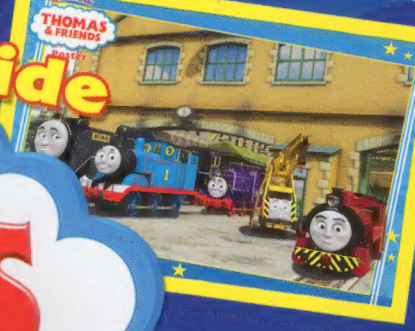

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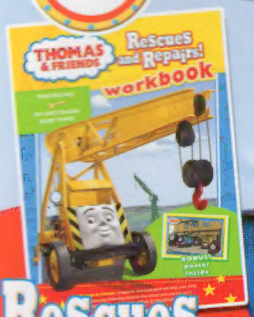

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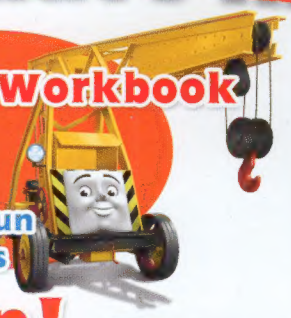

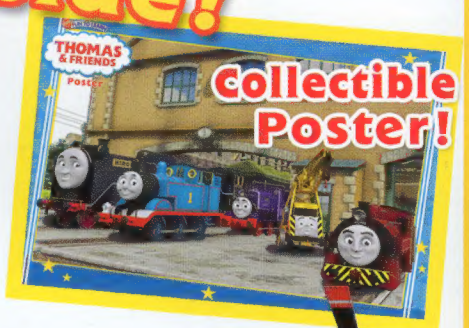

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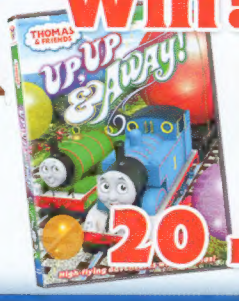

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It's Show Time!

A Trackside Tale from the Island of Sodor

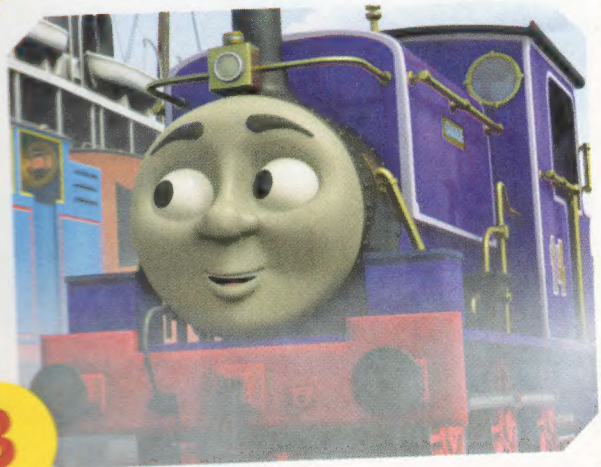
Thomas wants to have fun!

1

It was going to be a fun day on the Island of Sodor. The famous singer, Alicia Botti, was arriving for a concert. "Thomas, you will get her from the Docks," boomed Sir Topham Hatt. Thomas was happy to be such a useful engine today!

2

Thomas was surprised to see the new engine, Charlie, at the Docks. "The other engines say that Charlie is the most fun loving engine around!" Thomas frowned. He thought **he** was the most fun loving engine on the island!



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"Let's race to the Steamworks!" said Charlie. Thomas knew he should take Alicia straight to the concert. He didn't want to be late, but he wanted to show Charlie that he could be fun, too. "Just one quick race!" he answered.

4

Charlie and Thomas puffed their pistons, bubbled their boilers, and fizzed their fireboxes as they raced to the Steamworks. Alicia and her assistant laughed and clapped. They were all having fun!

5

Alicia decided to sing for the engines. Everyone whistled and cheered! Hearing Alicia's beautiful voice reminded Thomas about the concert. "We really need to take you there right now!" he said.

6

Charlie grinned. "One more quick race to the Dairy!" he suggested. Thomas knew he needed to get to the concert, but another race **would** be fun. "Just one more!" he peeped as the two friends raced away.

7

"It's bumpy!" squealed Thomas as they rattled down a rough track. Alicia and her assistant giggled as they bumped along. They were enjoying the ride! But Thomas didn't notice that the coupling holding Annie and Clarabel was coming undone.

8

Alicia began to sing again when they got to the Dairy. Everyone clapped and cheered after her beautiful song. "Now we really must get to the concert!" peeped Thomas as he pulled away.

When you finish the story, answer these questions.

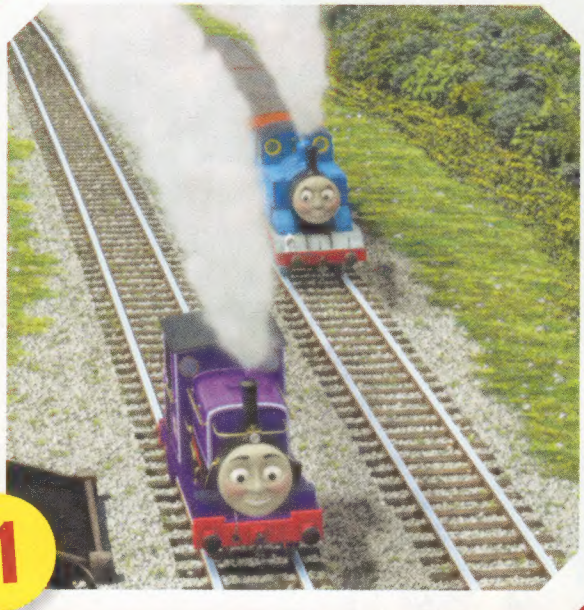
Who wanted to race Thomas?

9

"I must be very late if Sir Topham Hatt is on his way," Thomas gasped as he raced past Gordon and Sir Topham Hatt. Thomas was in such a rush that he didn't even notice that Annie and Clarabel had broken loose behind him!

10

Thomas looked back when he arrived at the concert. "Annie and Clarabel!" he gasped. "They're gone and they were carrying Alicia!" He had spent so much time having fun with Charlie that he had forgotten to do his job!



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"I will help you," said Charlie. "We can race to find Alicia!" At first Thomas and Charlie couldn't see her anywhere. Then suddenly they heard her beautiful voice. She was singing! "There she is!" peeped Thomas. "By the bridge."

12

"You are late, Thomas!" boomed Sir Topham Hatt. "Don't be angry," said Alicia. "Thomas and I had such fun, and now I'm here." Thomas smiled. It was good to have fun sometimes, but it was also important to be a Really Useful Engine.

Thomas took Alicia to see Farmer McColl.
TRUE or FALSE

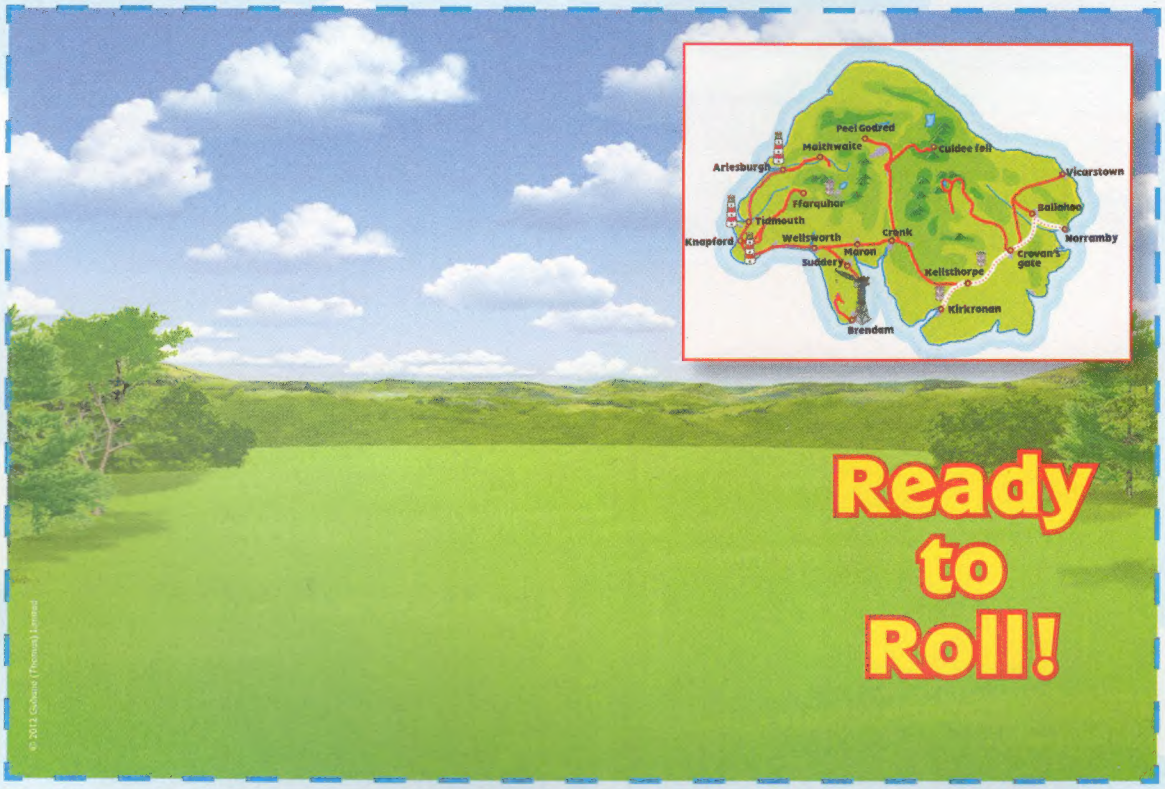
How many times did Thomas and Charlie race?

A Parent and Child Activity

Greetings from the Island of Sodor!

Here's what you will need:

• a pencil or pen • a glue stick • child-safe scissors
• thin cardboard • a grown-up to help



Ready to Roll!

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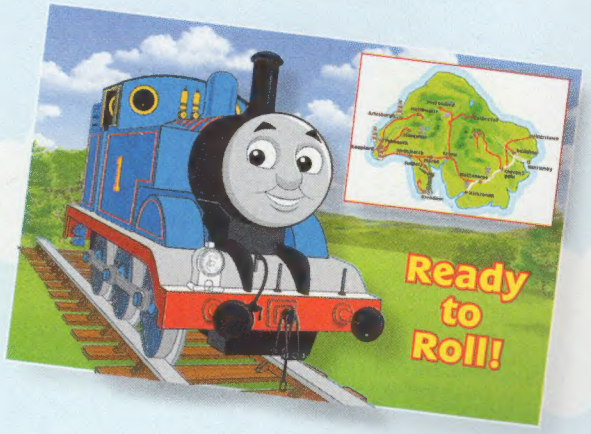
Thomas is on the go around Sodor! Make this postcard and send it to a friend.

1. With the help of a grown-up, tear out and glue this page to cardboard so the address side of the postcard below faces up.

2. Cut out the postcard rectangle below. Then ask a grown-up to help you cut out Thomas on the left page, along the dotted lines.

3. Cut out the front of the postcard (left) and glue Thomas in place, so it looks like the picture below. Glue the front and back of the postcard together, with both sides facing out.

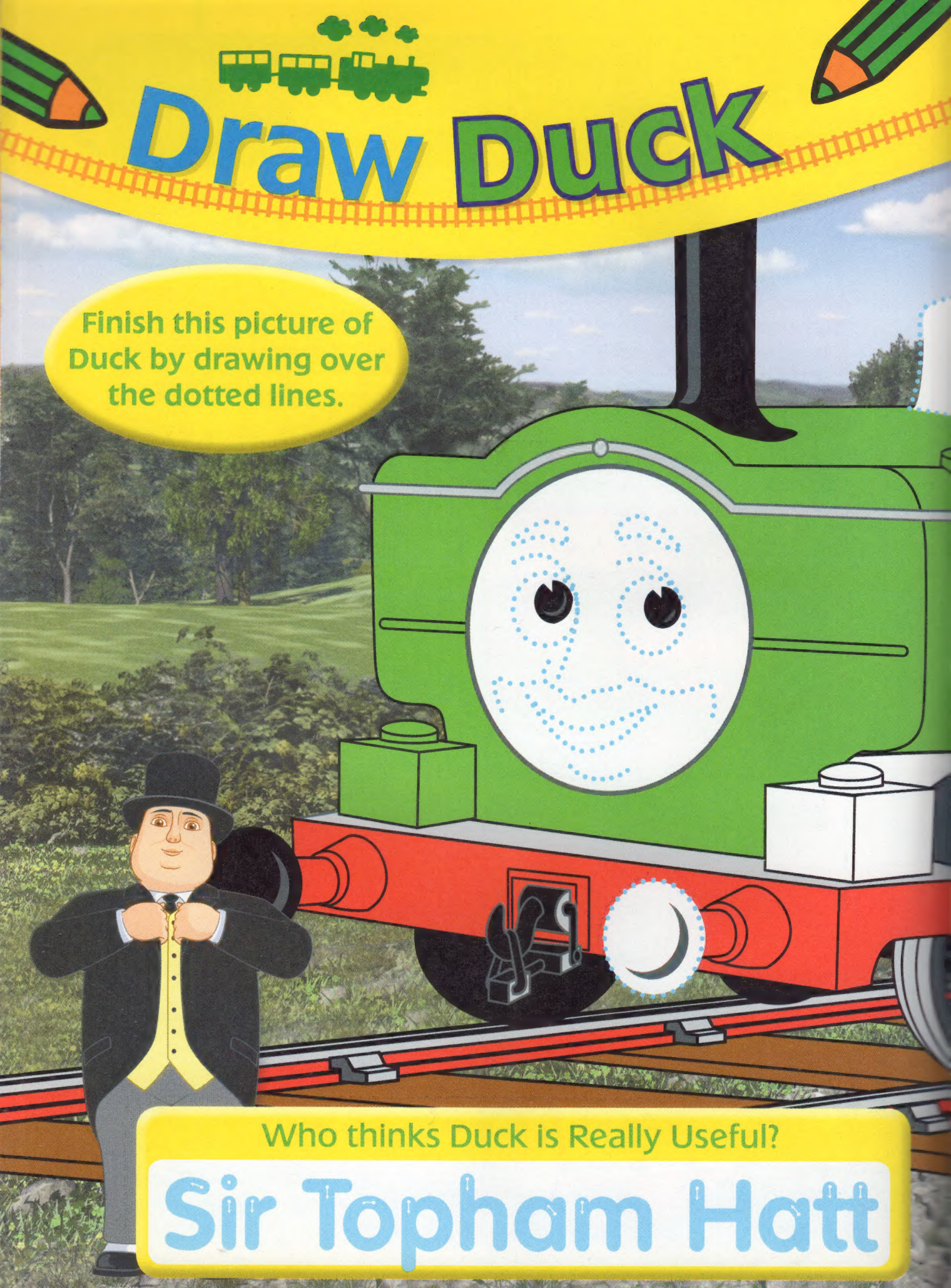
4. Once the glue is dry you'll be ready to write a note and address your postcard. Make sure you have the correct postage stamp and mail it to a friend who loves Thomas!



Write your message here.

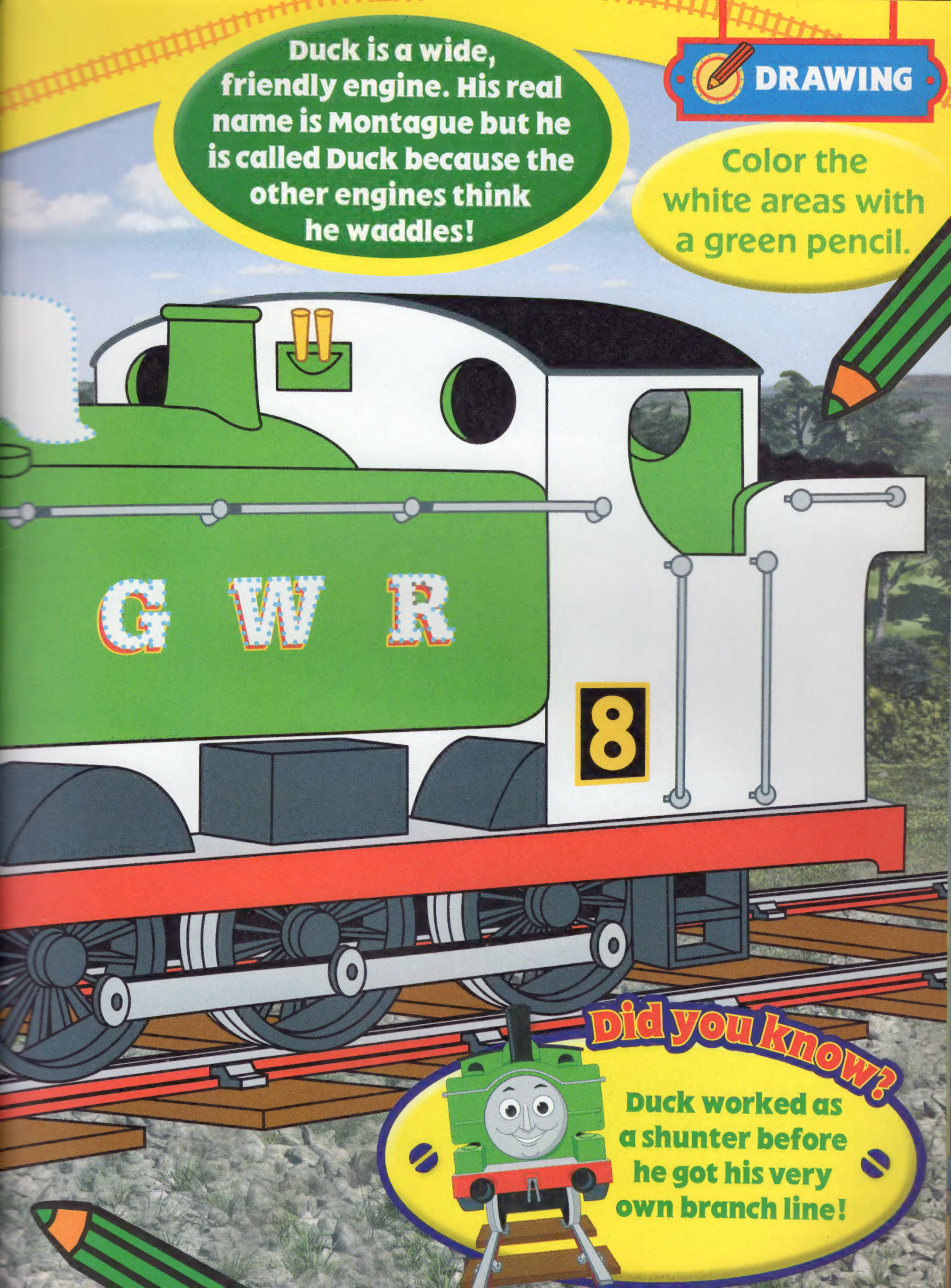
Place a stamp here.

Draw Duck


Finish this picture of Duck by drawing over the dotted lines.
Who thinks Duck is Really Useful?
Sir Topham Hatt

Duck is a wide, friendly engine. His real name is Montague but he is called Duck because the other engines think he waddles!

Color the white areas with a green pencil.



Did you know?

Duck worked as a shunter before he got his very own branch line!

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Scenes from Sodor *Mini-Poster*

Harold

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Harold FACT FILE

Harold is a good hearted helicopter who is a Really Useful Engine in the skies! He likes to hover above the roadways and rails, always keeping a watchful eye out for his friends. Harold is excited to be part of the Sodor Search and Rescue Team. His nickname is Whirlybird!

Cut out and keep this mini-poster. Don't miss the one in your next issue!

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Find this key

on each double page inside.

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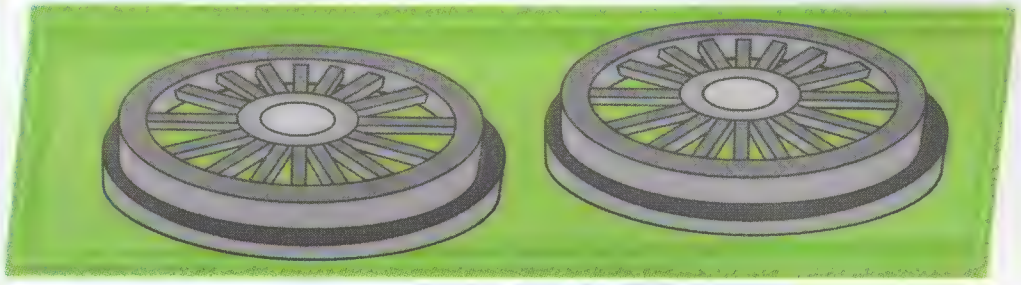
Count

Trace over the numbers, starting at the dots. 1 2 3

It's another busy day in the rescue and repair garage! Count the things in each row and write the numbers in the boxes.



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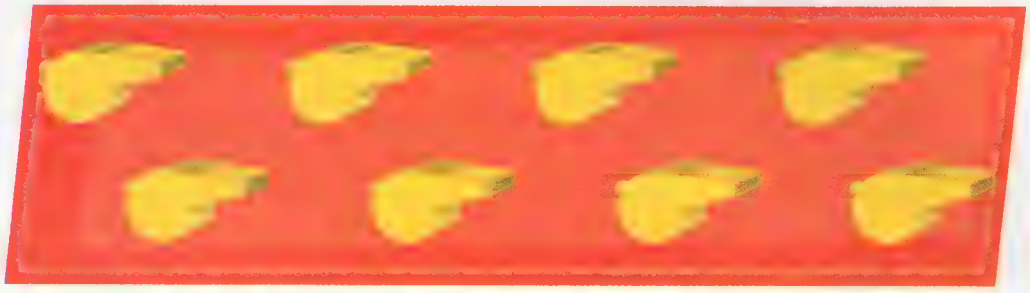

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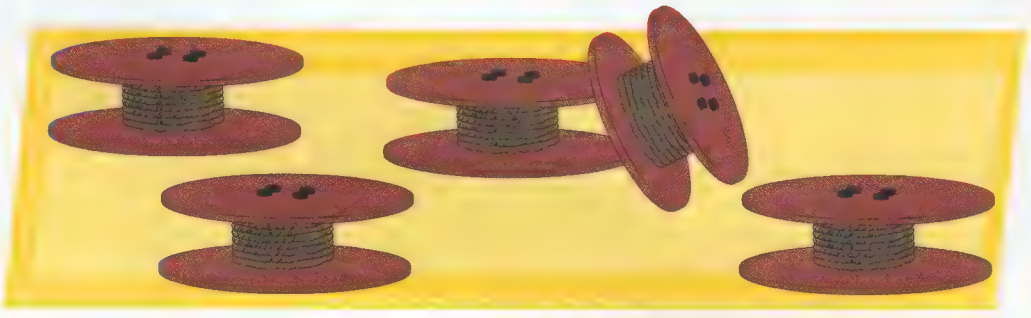


5 spools

5 flags

Note to Parents: Counting helps develop math skills and number recognition.

4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Look at the picture above, then write the correct numbers in the boxes.

ladders 13

cones 6

Steamies 2

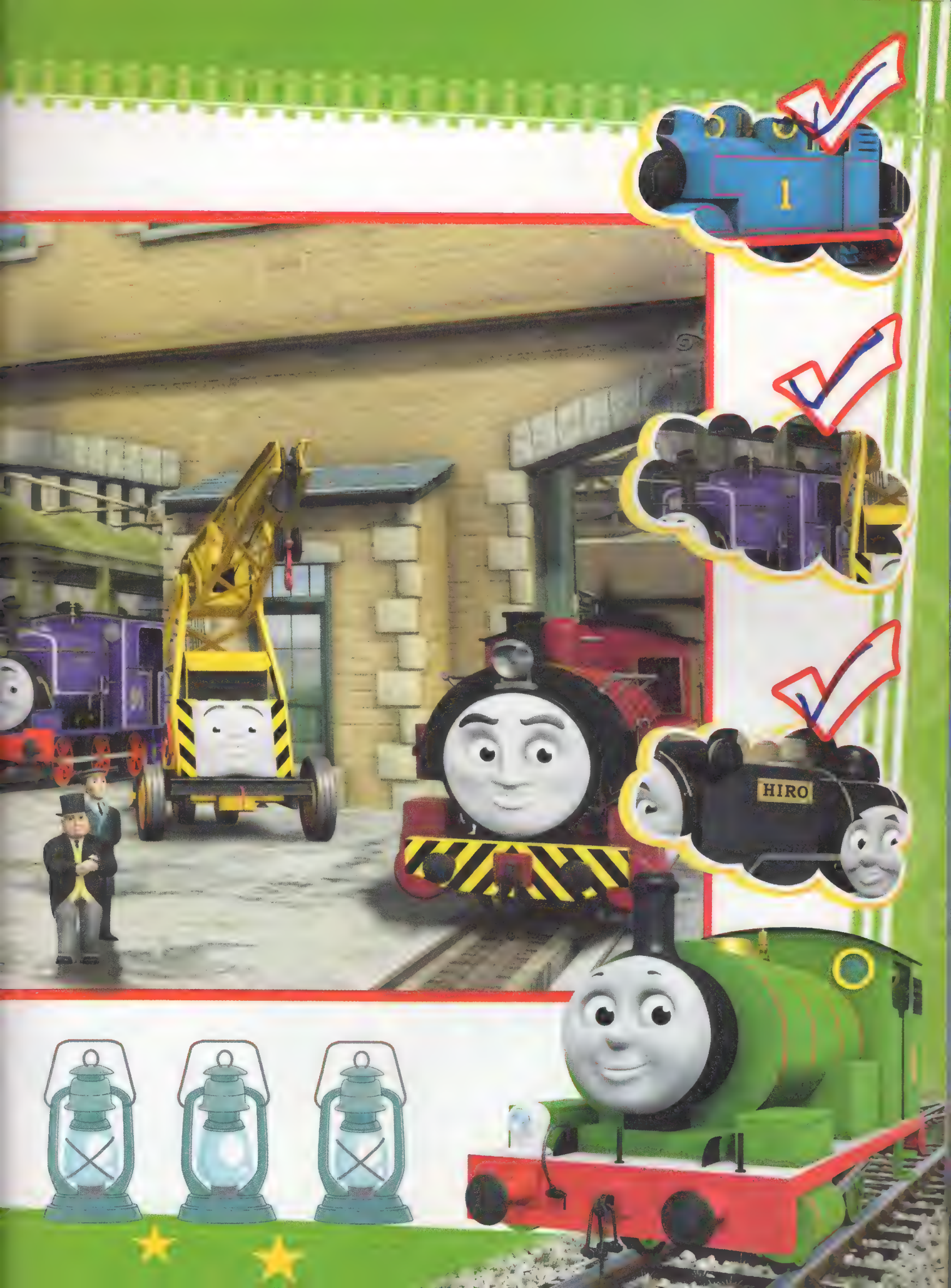
buffers 4

Look

Look at the picture below. Can you find the small pictures in the big picture? Color a check for each one you find.

Circle the oil lamp that is different from the other lamps.

Note to Parents: This [illegible] will help your child develop observation skills.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HIRO

Complete the words below by writing the letter r. Trace over the letters, starting at the dots.

Thomas to the

rescue.

Rocky is a very strong

crane.

Victor

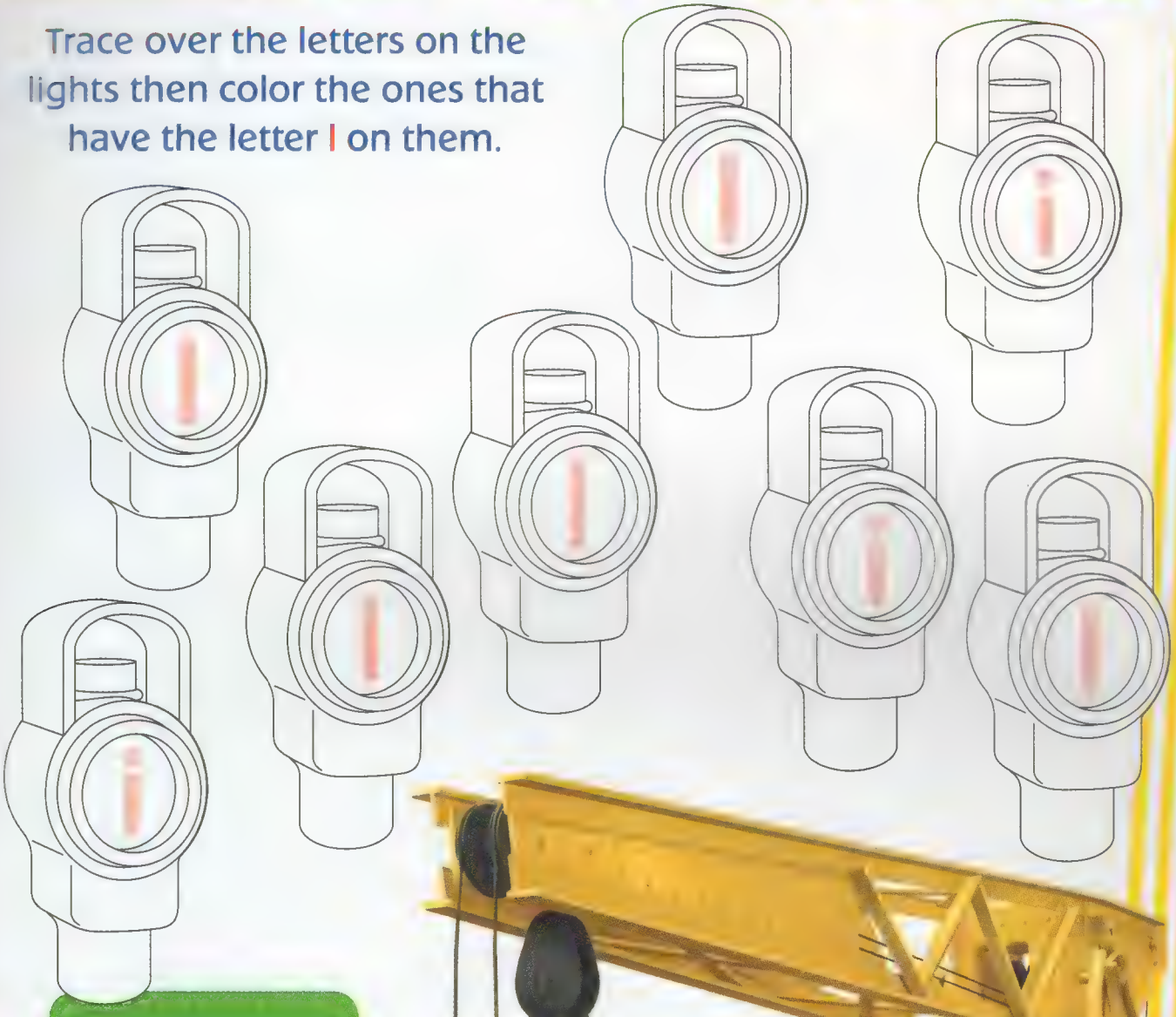
is the manager of the Sodor Steamworks.

Note to Parents: These activities help develop writing skills and letter recognition.

Unscramble the letters to give you the name of this yellow crane.

n i e K v

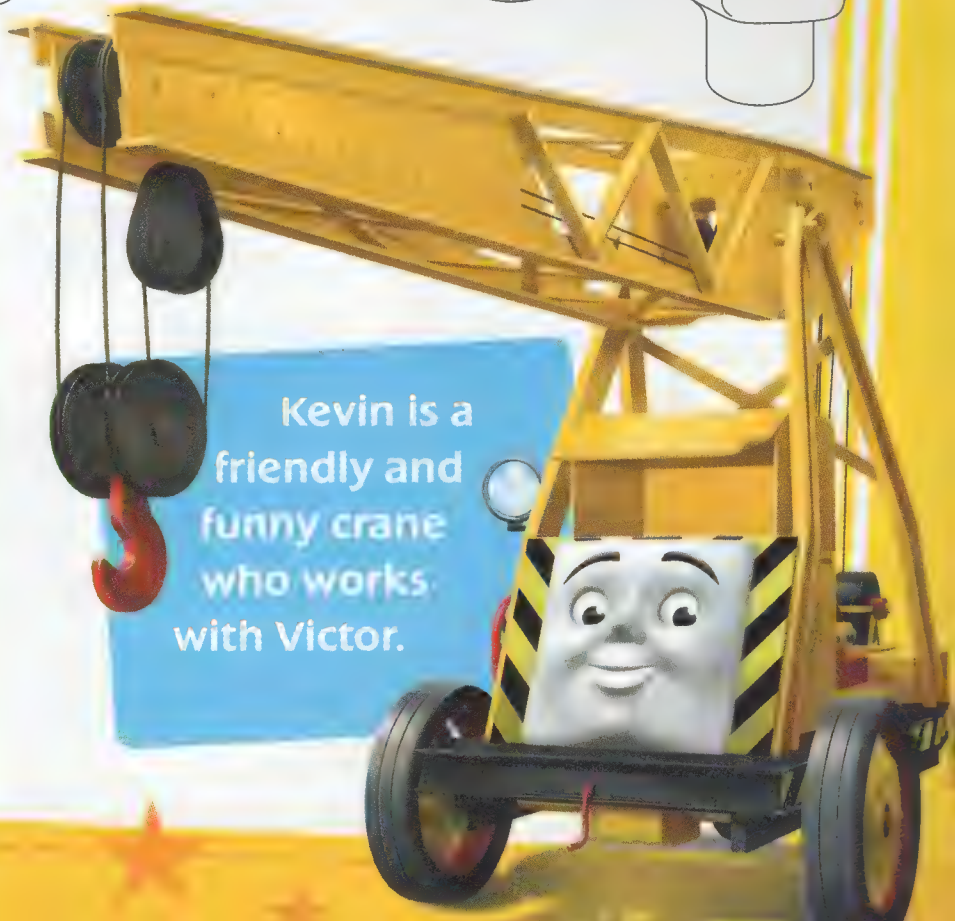
Trace over the letters on the lights then color the ones that have the letter I on them.



How many lights did you color?

Write the number in the box.

Kevin is a friendly and funny crane who works with Victor.



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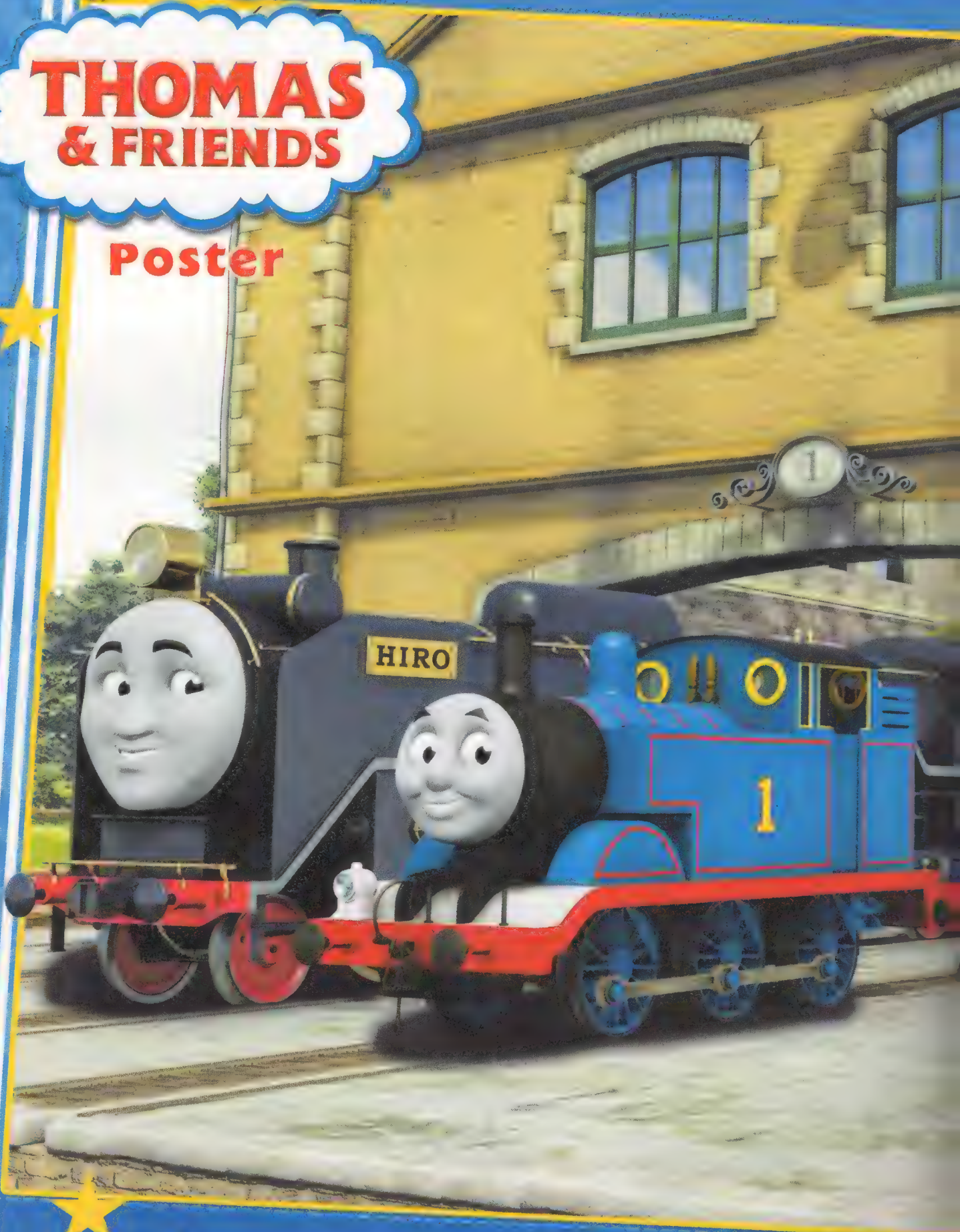

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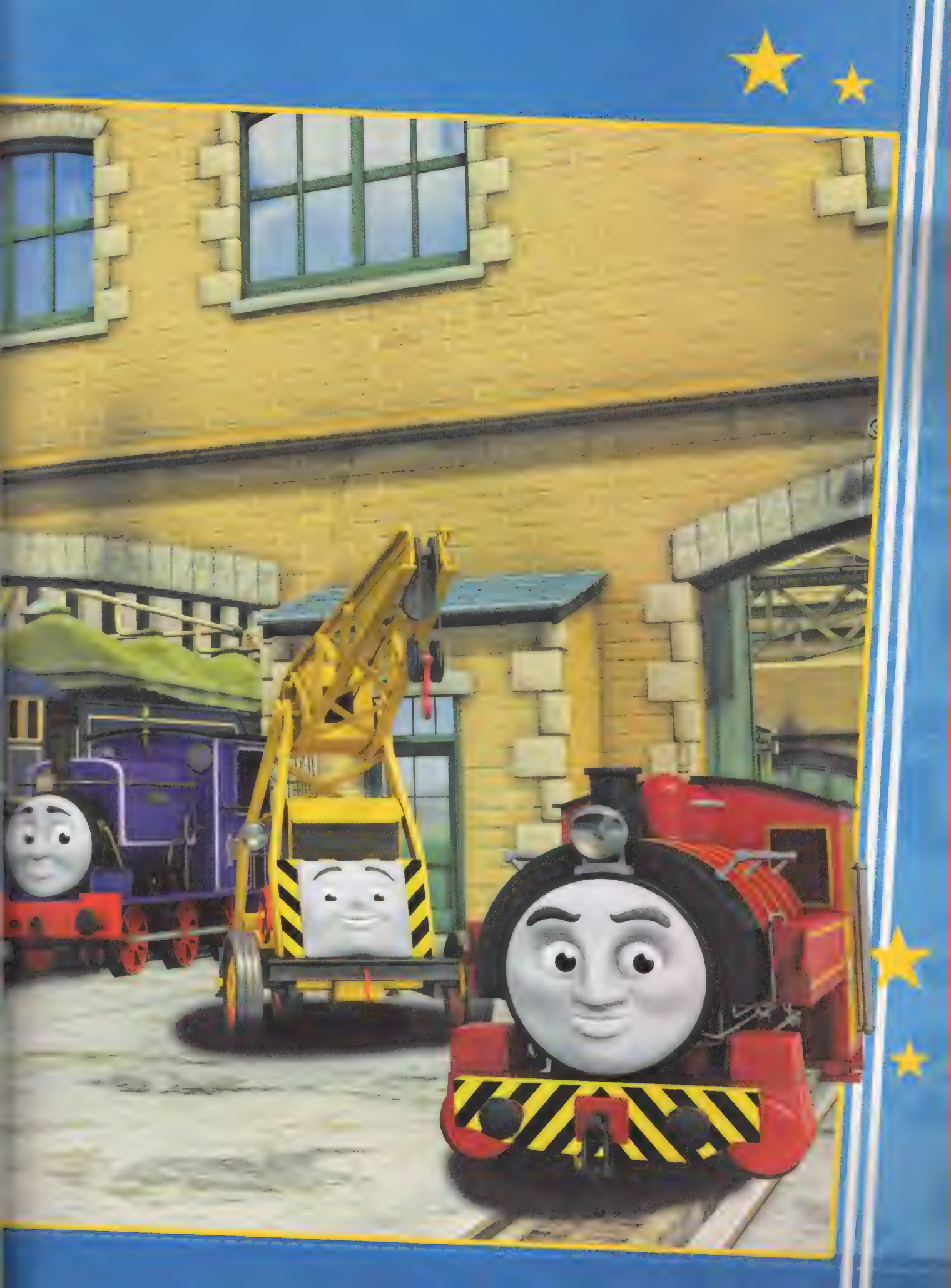


Color

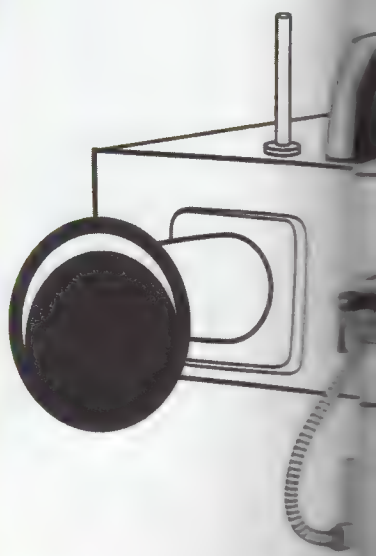
JAMES NO. 5

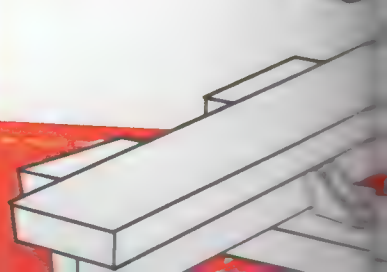
No. 5 Red Engine

Color in the picture of James, using the small picture to help you.

James is number 5

Trace over the number.





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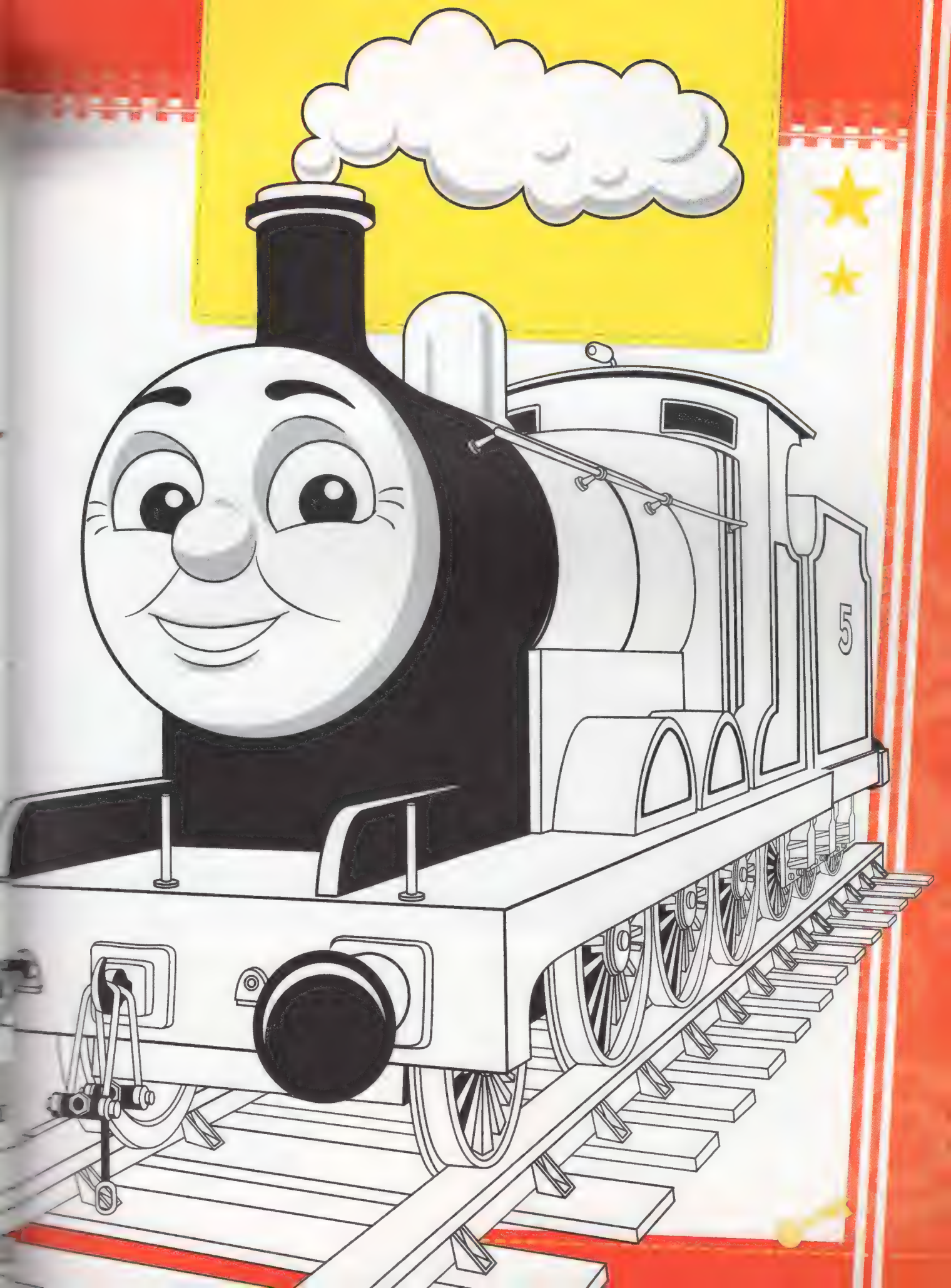
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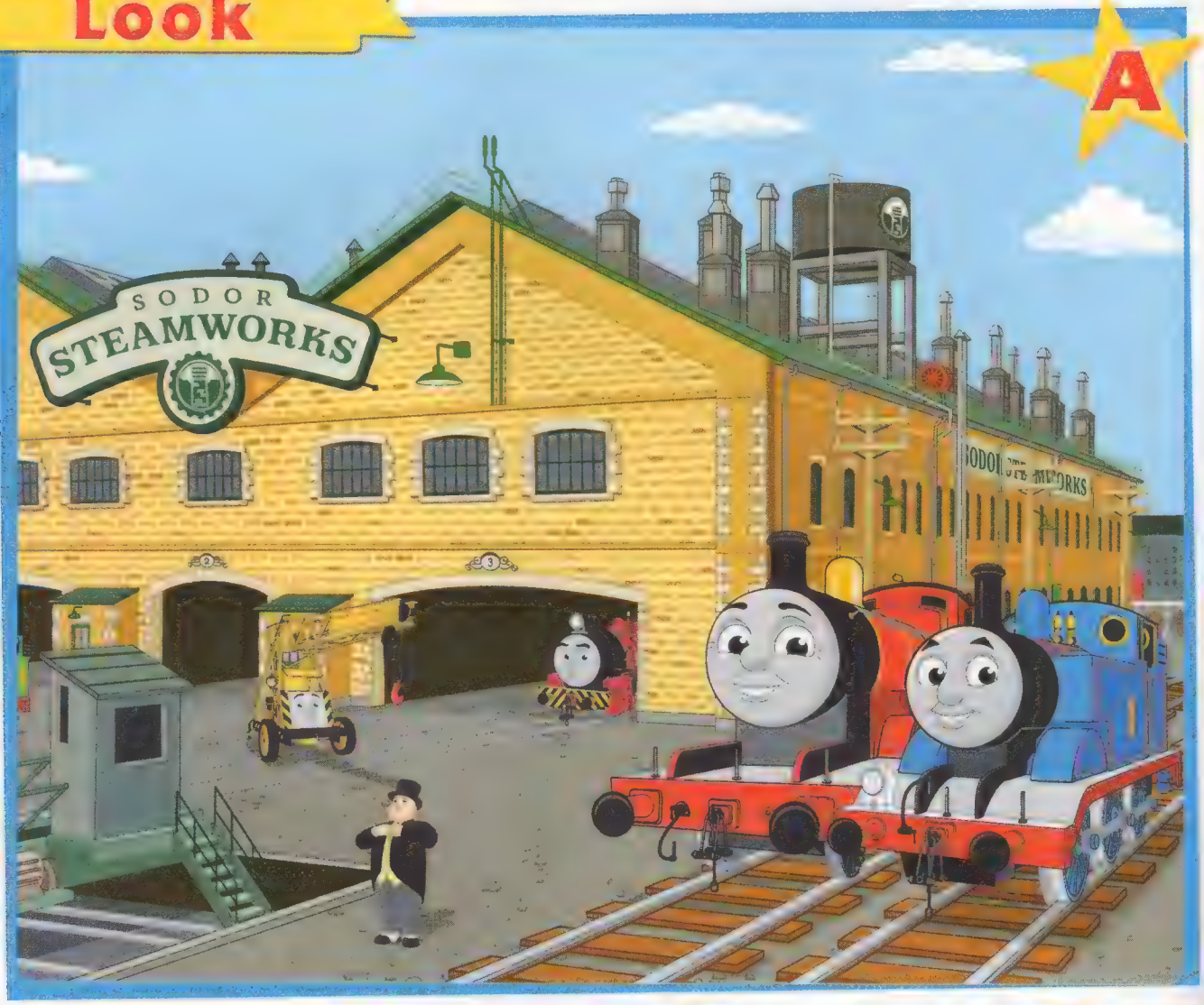
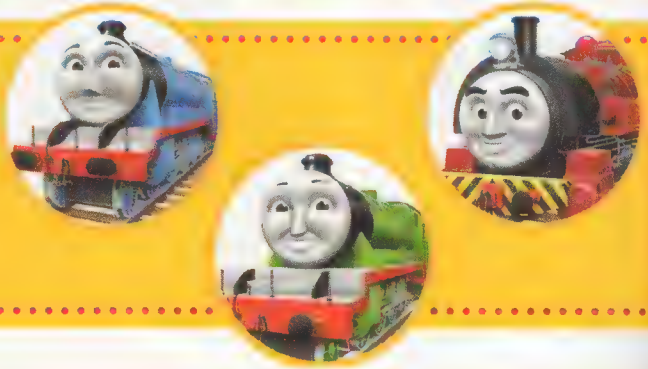
Look carefully at the two pictures. Can you spot six differences in picture B?

A



Victor is always on the run, fixing broken-down engines. Which engine is Victor? Circle the correct one.



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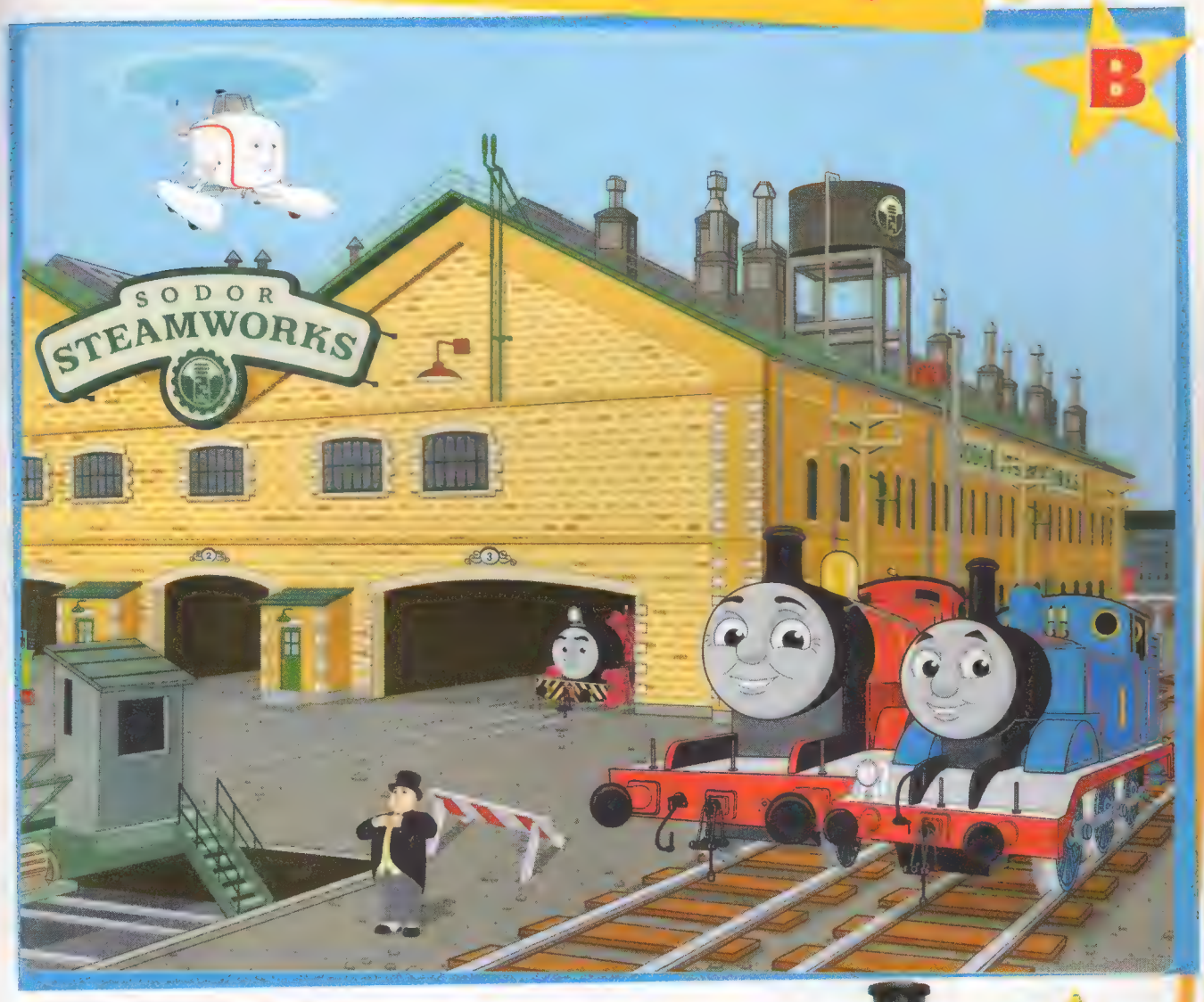

Shout, **'Full steam ahead!'**
as you find each difference.

Answers:

In Picture B:

1. Kevin has disappeared.
2. The light on the wall is brown.
3. There are no clouds in the sky.
4. A window is missing.
5. A red and white barrier has appeared.
6. Harold is in the sky

Follow

The cranes are working hard. Use your finger or a pencil to make your way through the maze.

start

How many cones can you count?

Write the number in the box.

Note to Parents: Following and matching help develop eye-hand coordination and decision-making.

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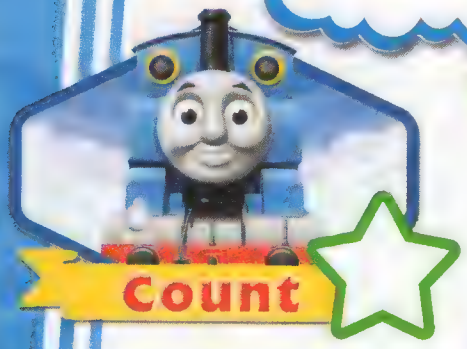
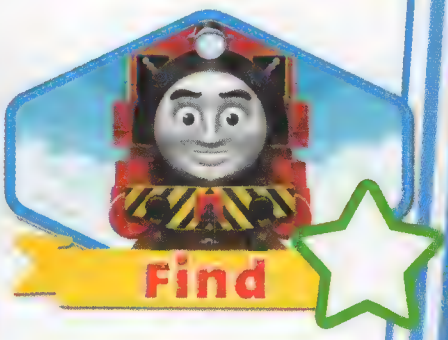
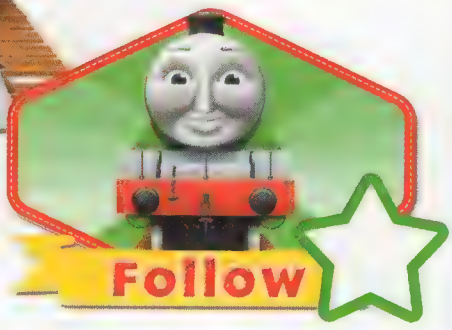
workbook

Color a star next to each activity you have completed.







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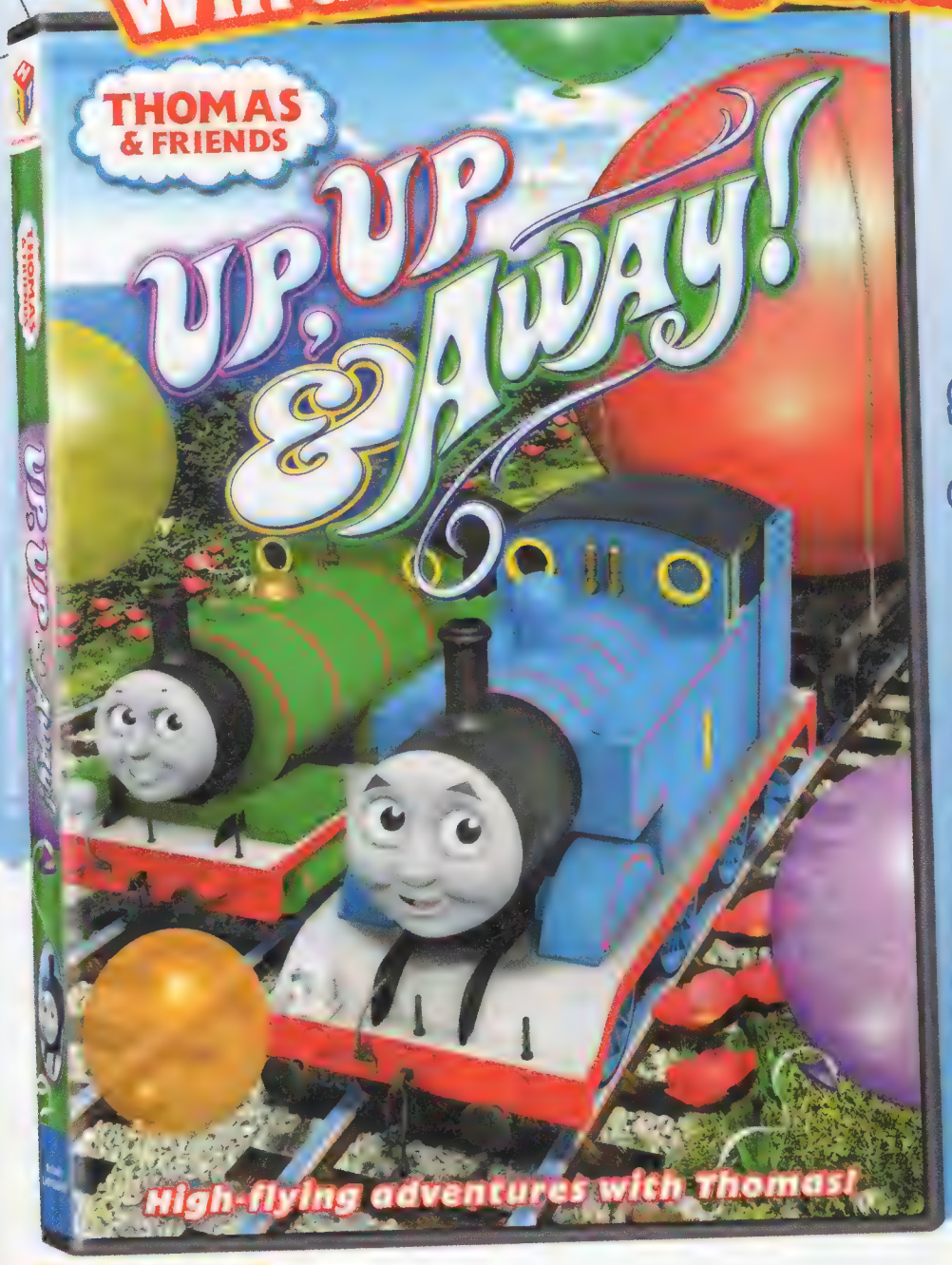

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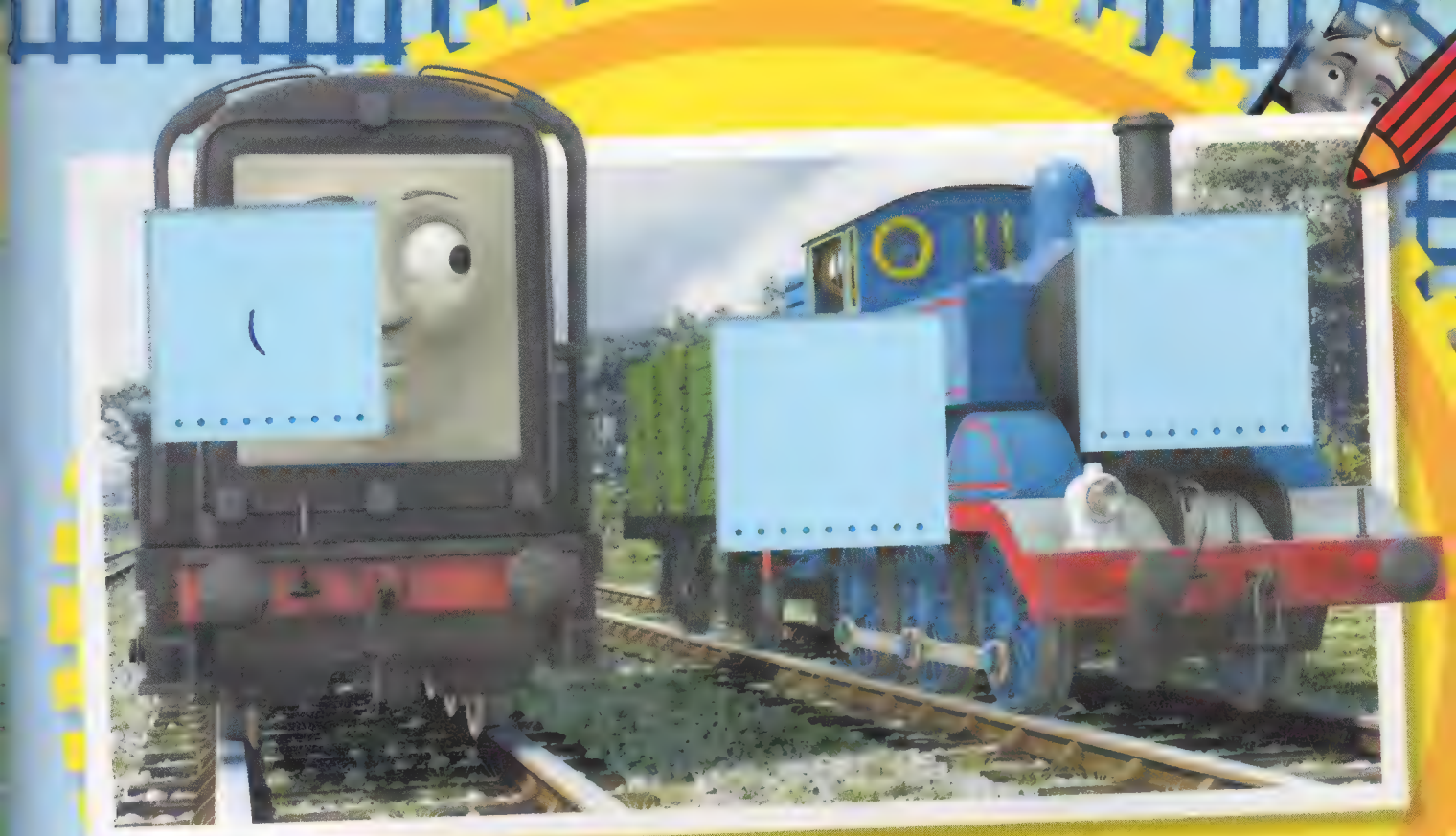
Who takes Sir Topham Hatt, a Diesel or a Steamie?
Follow the lines to find the answer.

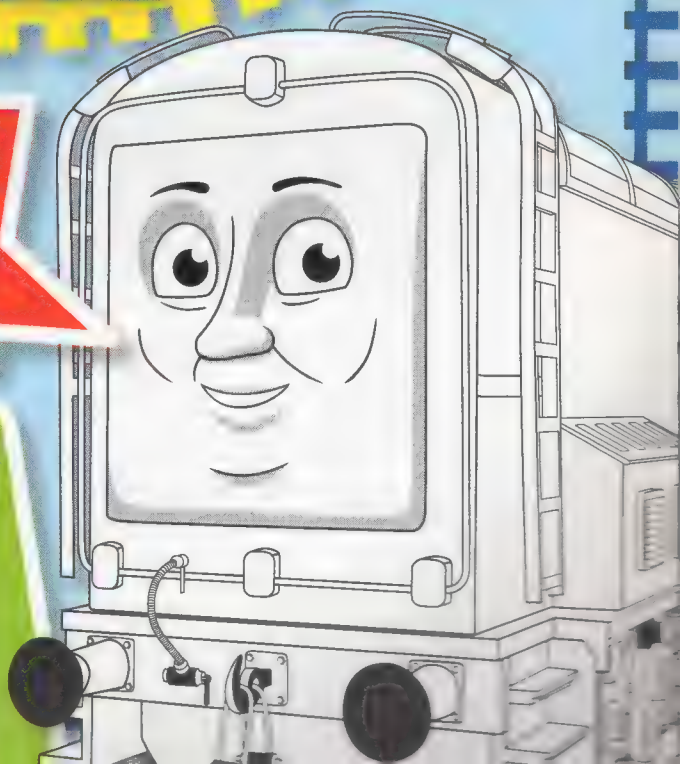


Which piece of jigsaw fits where in this picture of Thomas and Diesel?

Diesel

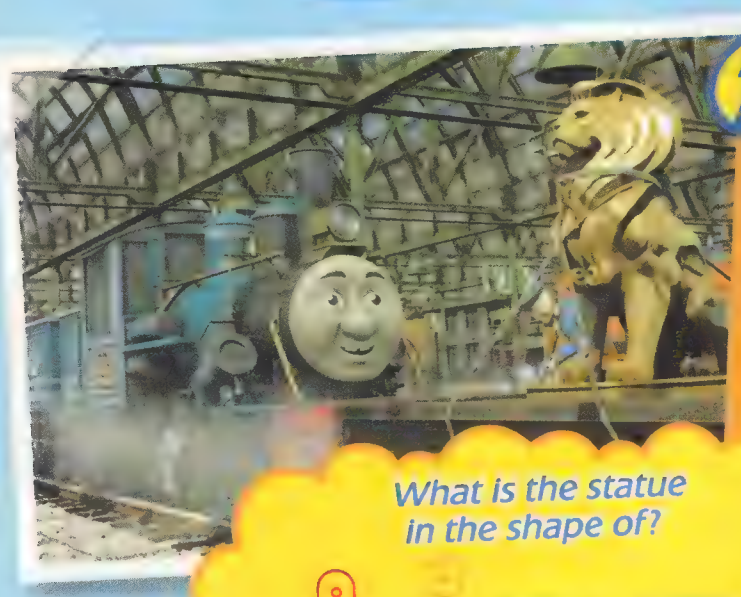
Hiro is playing hide and peep! How many times can you see him on these 2 pages?

Write the number here.



TRACKSIDE TALE

Gordon and Ferdinand



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One day, Sir Topham Hatt decided to give Ferdinand a reward for being Really Useful. He would join Gordon on his special trip to deliver the Lion of Sodor statue to the Dukes' summer house. Gordon was not happy. He didn't want to work with silly old Ferdinand!

What is the statue in the shape of?

Lion

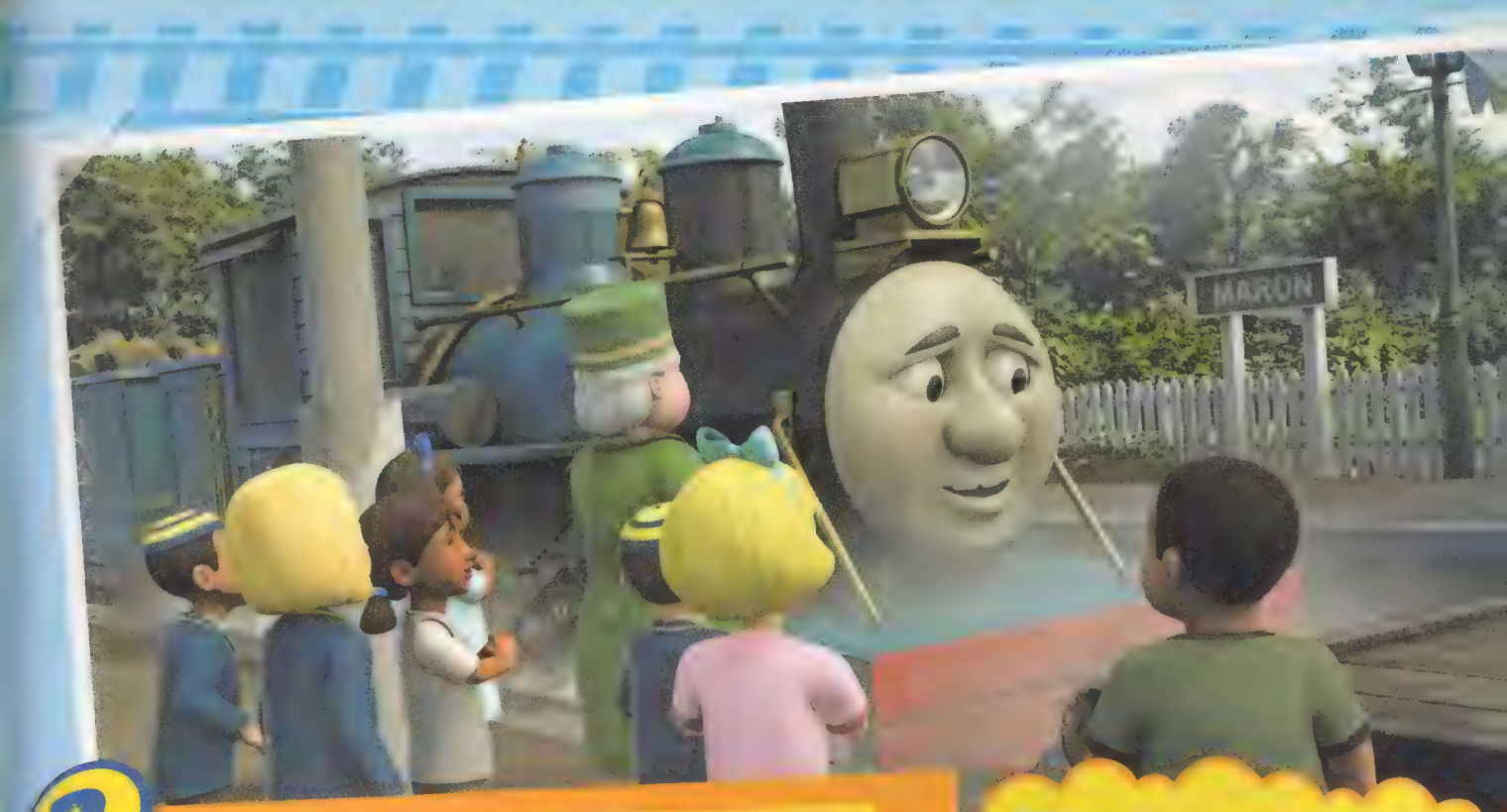
2

Gordon decided to take a quiet track to the summer house so that nobody would see him with Ferdinand. After a little while, they came across some workmen repairing the tracks! Gordon was upset when the men started to cheer for Ferdinand. Gordon chugged off, feeling left out.

What do the workmen do when they see Ferdinand?

boo ✓

cheer ✓



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Gordon then took Ferdinand through Maron station. There wouldn't be anyone there to see them. When they got there he couldn't believe his eyes! The station was packed with people. Dowager Hatt and some children were there and made a great fuss over Ferdinand. But not Gordon!

Which station does Gordon decide to go through?

Maron ✓ **Knapford** ✓

4

"That's it!" thought Gordon. He decided to lead Ferdinand over the old Ienland track. It was not very stable and a worried Ferdinand called out to stop, but Gordon ignored him and carried on. Soon after, Gordon hit a bump in the track and the lion statue bounced off his flatbed and into a muddy puddle near the track!

splat!

5

Gordon was shocked. He did need Ferdinand's help after all! He sent him to get Rocky, who came to their rescue. Rocky pulled the lion out of the mud. It wasn't shiny anymore!

6

Luckily, they knew just what to do. They took the statue straight to the Steamworks for a good clean before they carried on their way to the summer house.

What does the statue fall into?

m u d

7

Then Gordon had another idea. He was going to pull the statue along the busiest tracks so everyone could see him and Ferdinand. He was going to let Ferdinand go in front! When they arrived at the summer house, the Duke thanked them and Gordon introduced him to his new friend, Ferdinand.

Who thanks the engines?

The Duke ✓ **The Mayor** ✓

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Cut out the pieces of the picture, jumble them up, then see how quickly you can put them back together!

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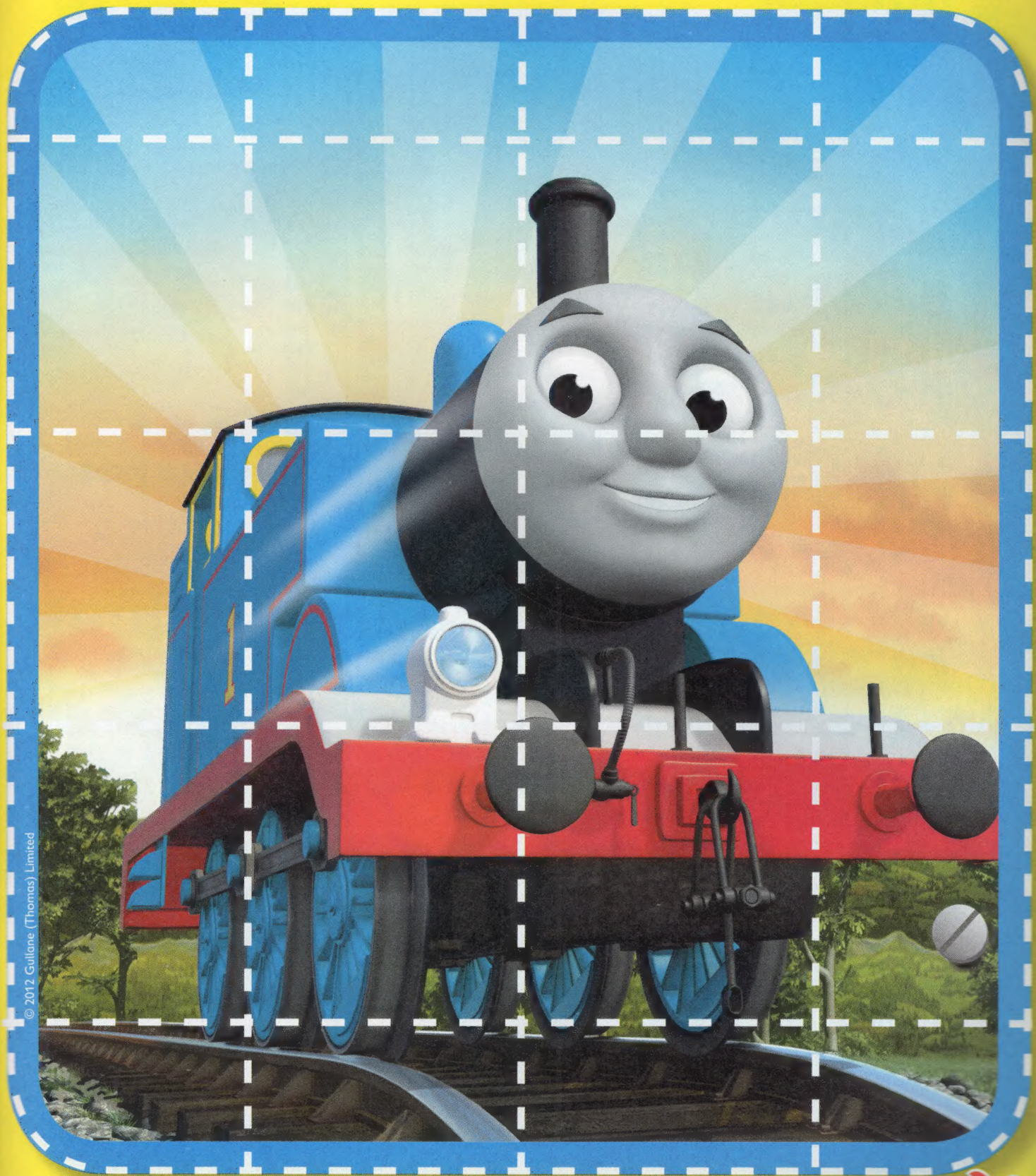

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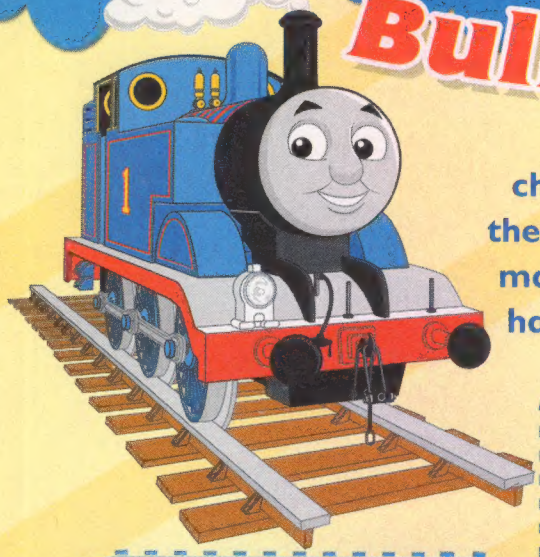

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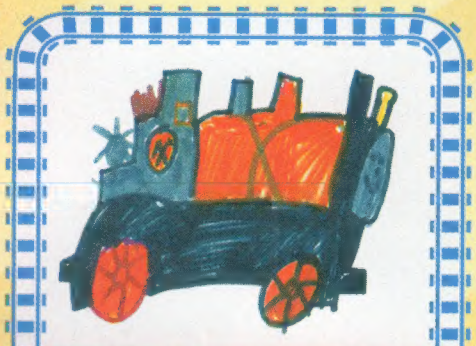

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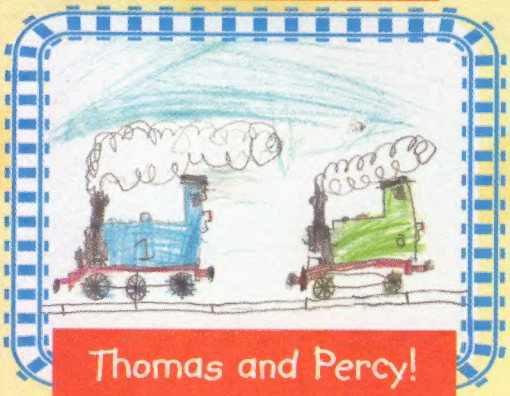

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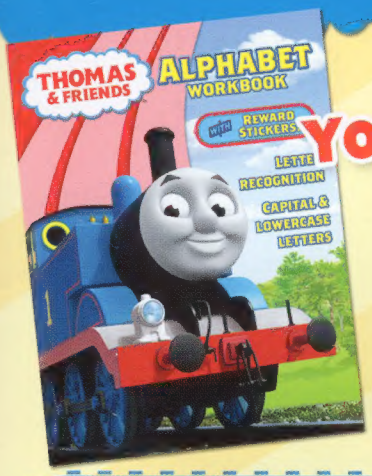

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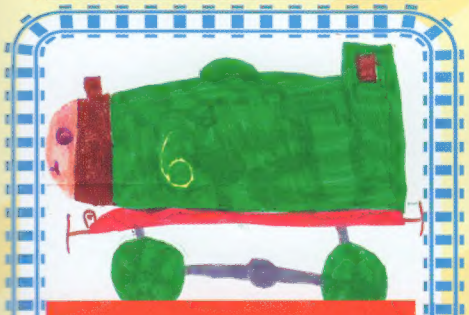

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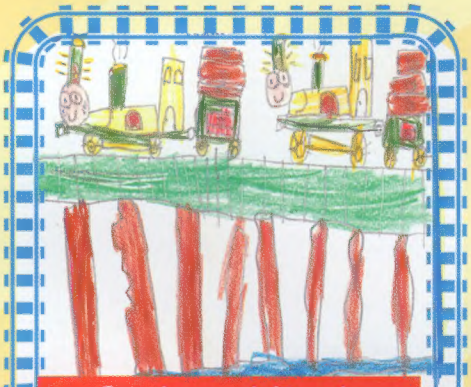

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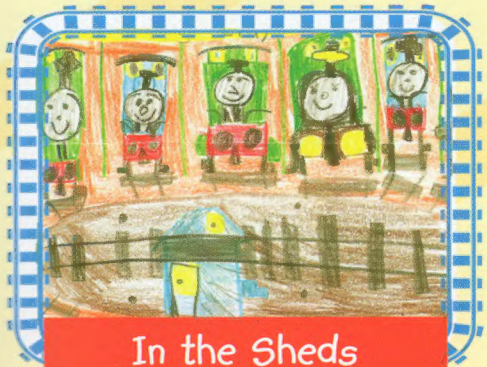

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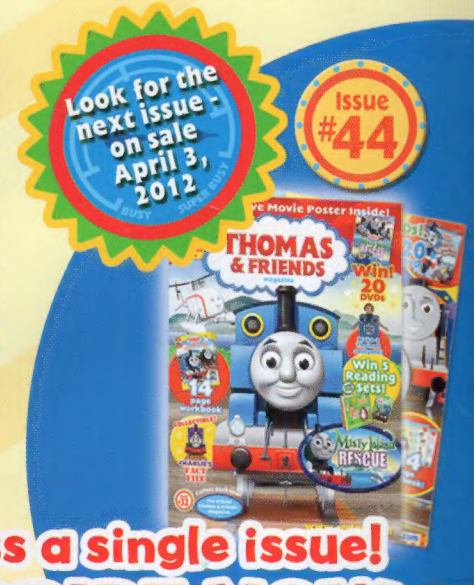
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